

HANDLE VIA TALENT

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Unclassified TALENT Material

1. Recently (9 September 1958) during a routine security inspection of various offices at HTA/PIC, it was observed that a large number of prints were in the possession of the Navy component at HTA/PIC that bore No security classification nor titling.

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2. It was established from the Navy that these prints were reproduced at HTA/PIC and consisted of materials obtained in the [REDACTED] Area and therefore should have been classified TOP SECRET CHESH and handled within the TALENT Control System with an assigned Control Number.

3. The fact that these materials bore no security classification was brought to the attention of the Army and Navy representatives at HTA/PIC.

4. It is understood that these materials (approximately 1700 prints) were reproduced at HTA/PIC in order to meet an emergency request and that the prints were not classified because of inferior paper. It should be called to your attention that the film negative itself was some ten days late in arriving at HTA, so that the emergency requirement could have been extended to classify the materials in accord with:

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A. TCS-3669-58, General Cabell's approval that [REDACTED] coverage is today classified in its raw form as "TOP SECRET CHESH".

B. ARC policy decision that effective 21 November 1956 that all raw materials covering new foreign areas will be classified TOP SECRET CHESH and handled via TALENT Control System.

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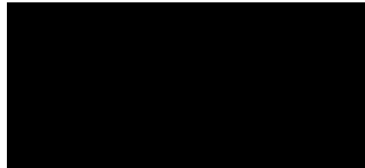
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5. Recommendation:

A. It is recommended that as soon as practicable all unclassified prints issued by HTA/PTC be recalled and accounted for from the Army and Navy and either this material replaced as required with material classified TOP SECRET GRESS and controlled within the TALENT Control System or if it has served its purpose and is no longer useful it could be destroyed.

B. If in the future it is necessary to reproduce large quantities of materials on a crash or emergency basis then appropriate equipment should be obtained including paper that can adequately handle the job (classification).

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